GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have any plan for extending air services in the country to meet with various needs including disasters and tourism;

(b) if so, plan of the Government in the matter, State-wise; and

(c) whether the Government propose to build an airport for Civil pilot training at Muzaffarnagar in UP to cater to the local requirements of Roorkee and Rishikesh towns?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a) and (b): Airlines operators are free to operate to any place/on any route as per their commercial judgement subject of course to compliance with the Route Dispersal Guidelines which provide for certain minimumoperations in specified category of routes. Air services are supplemented by non-scheduled operators who provide aircraft on charter basis for various other needs. In addition Indian Airlines operateso additional services, whenever required, to meet the emergencies arising due to natural calamities and disasters. After the recent earthquake in Gujarat Indian Airlines had operated 184 additional flights from 26th January 2001 to 14th February 2001.

(c) Airports Authority of India has no such proposal.